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FOR AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: GOALS AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADORS

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THE WHITE HOUSE HAS ASKED US TO COMPILE A LIST OF GOALS
AND OBJECTIVES FOR AMBASSADORS. YOUR COMMENTS ON THE
FOLLOWING ARE WELCOME, BUT MUST BE SUBMITTED BY COB
SEPTEMBER 14 AND THE FINAL LIST SHOULD NOT EXCEED THIS
TELEGRAM IN LENGTH:

I. CONTINUE DIALOGUE TO INCREASE BILATERAL COOPERATION.

-- CONSULT WITH THE GOTT ON MATTERS OF REAL POLITICAL
CONCERN TO BOTH COUNTRIES SUCH AS PUERTO RICO AND SOUTHERN
AFRICA.

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-- RAISE LEVEL OF BILATERAL DIALOGUE ON US POLICIES TOWARD
INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ISSUES, INCLUDING SUGAR AGREEMENT,
ENERGY AND COMMODITY PRICE STABILIZATION.

II. IDENTIFY AND DEVELOP CONTACTS WITH POTENTIAL SUCCE-
SORS OF PRIME MINISTER WILLIAMS.

-- MAINTAIN PERSONAL CONTACTS WITH POTENTIAL SUCCESSORS OF PRIME MINISTER WILLIAMS WITHIN HIS OWN PARTY AND THE OPPOSITION.

-- ENSURE THAT POTENTIAL SUCCESSORS ARE AWARE OF KEY US POLICY INITIATIVES AND DECISIONS WHICH MAY AFFECT TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

III. EXPAND TRADE AND INVESTMENT WITH AND BY AMERICAN FIRMS.

-- ENCOURAGE CHOICE OF AMERICAN COMPANIES FOR LARGE INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENTS AND INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS BEING UNDERTAKEN BY THE GOTT.

-- WORK WITH TRINIDAD'S INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO DEVELOP CRITERIA FOR INVESTMENT BY US FIRMS IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO.

-- ENCOURAGE GROWTH OF LABOR-INTENSIVE INDUSTRIES.

-- ASSIST IN IDENTIFYING SUITABLE TECHNOLOGY AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS.

IV. DEVELOP A WIDER APPRECIATION OF US POSITION IN INTERNATIONAL FORA.
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-- INTENSIFY EFFORTS TO GET ACTIVE SUPPORT OF THE GOTT IN COMMITTEE OF 24 ON PUERTO RICAN ISSUES.

-- CONSULT AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE AND IN DETAIL ON MAJOR CONTENTIOUS ISSUES IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF INTEREST TO THE USG.

V. ENCOURAGE T&T TO TAKE AN ACTIVE ROLE IN AND TO COOPERATE WITH OTHER CARIBBEAN STATES.

-- ENCOURAGE A US DIALOGUE WITH THE GOTT TOWARD FINDING SOLUTIONS TO THE POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC PROBLEMS OF THE CARIBBEAN.

-- ENSURE THAT GOTT FULLY UNDERSTANDS USG POLICIES TOWARD THE CARIBBEAN.

-- EXPRESS OUR HOPE THAT GOTT WILL JOIN ALL OTHER INTERESTED DONORS IN SETTING UP PROGRAMS FOR CARIBBEAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. VANCE

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